### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA

In re:

MERCY HOSPITAL, IOWA CITY, IOWA, et al.

**Chapter 11 Bankruptcy** 

Case No. 23-00623

Hon. Thad J. Collins

Debtors.

MOTION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE OF MATTHEW L. LIPPERT

COMES NOW, Attorney, Robert C. Gainer, an attorney licensed and in good standing before the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa, and in support of the Motion for *Pro Hac Vice* Admission on behalf of Matthew L. Lippert, provides as follows:

A. Mr. Lippert's office address, telephone number, fax number, email address and attorney identification number are as follows:

Matthew L. Lippert Sills Cummis & Gross, P.C. One Riverfront Plaza Newark, New Jersey 07102 Telephone: 973-643-7000 Facsimile: 973-643-6500

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NJ Bar No.: 037972008 NY Bar No.: 4729463

- B. Mr. Lippert is a member in good standing of the bars of the United States District Courts for the Districts of New Jersey and New York (Southern and Eastern), and of the highest courts of the states of New Jersey (037972008) and New York (4729463). In addition, Mr. Lippert has been admitted to appear in the United States Courts of Appeal for the Third Circuit. A chart setting forth the Court and dates of admission are attached as <a href="Exhibit A">Exhibit A</a>.
  - C. Mr. Lippert is not currently suspended or disbarred in any court.

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D. Mr. Lippert has not made prior *pro hac vice* application to this Court.

Certifications from the attorney's bar associations confirming the attorney's present good standing within the associations listed below, are attached in conformance with LR 2090-1.

| Court                                                        | <b>Date of Certificate</b> |  |  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey                     | January 6, 2025            |  |  |
| Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Judicial Dept. | January 6, 2025            |  |  |
| U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey                  | January 6, 2025            |  |  |
| U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York           | January 7, 2025            |  |  |

- E. Mr. Lippert acknowledges that if the *pro hac vice* application is granted, he is subject to the jurisdiction of the court with respect to the attorney's conduct to the same extent as a member of the Bar of this court and is subject to the Iowa Code of Professional Responsibility for Lawyers.
- F. Mr. Lippert will conform with the associate counsel requirement for attorneys appearing *pro hac vice*, and conforms to such requirement with associate counsel, Robert C. Gainer, 1307 50th Street, West Des Moines, Iowa 50266; Telephone: 515-223-6600; Facsimile: 515-223-6787. Mr. Lippert will act as co-counsel to Sills, Cummis & Gross, P.C., subject to approval of retention by this Court consistent with Title 11 of the United States Code.

WHEREFORE, applicant, Matthew L. Lippert requests this court grant him *pro hac vice* admission within jointly administered bankruptcy cases in the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa and for any further relief this Court deem just and equitable.

Date: January 7, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Matthew L. Lippert

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#### **EXHIBIT A**

| Court                                                        | Admission Date    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey                     | December 17, 2008 |
| Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Judicial Dept. | June 8, 2009      |
| U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey           | December 31, 2008 |
| U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York           | March 30, 2010    |
| U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York            | April 21, 2010    |
| U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit                         | June 14, 2024     |

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on January 7, 2025, the foregoing instrument was filed electronically with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which sent notification of such filing to all registered users party to this proceeding.

/s/ Stephanie Newton

## Supreme Court of New Jersey



## Certificate of Good Standing

This is to certify that

#### **MATTHEW L LIPPERT**

(No. 037972008) was constituted and appointed an Attorney at Law of New Jersey on December 17, 2008 and, as such, has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court and all other courts of this State as an Attorney at Law, according to its laws, rules, and customs.

I further certify that as of this date, the above-named is an Attorney at Law in Good Standing. For the purpose of this Certificate, an attorney is in "Good Standing" if the Court's records reflect that the attorney: 1) is current with all assessments imposed as a part of the filing of the annual Attorney Registration Statement, including, but not limited to, all obligations to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection; 2) is not suspended or disbarred from the practice of law; 3) has not resigned from the Bar of this State; and 4) has not been transferred to Disability Inactive status pursuant to Rule 1:20-12.

Please note that this Certificate does not constitute confirmation of an attorney's satisfaction of the administrative requirements of Rule 1:21-1(a) for eligibility to practice law in this State.



In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Supreme Court, at Trenton, this 6th day of January, 2025.

Clerk of the Supreme Court



# Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York First Judicial Department

I, Susanna M. Rojas, Clerk of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Judicial Department, do hereby certify that

#### Matthew Lawrence Lippert

was duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the courts of this State on **June 8, 2009**, has duly taken and subscribed the oath of office prescribed by law, has been enrolled in the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors at Law on file in this office, is duly registered with the Office of Court Administration, and according to the records of this Court is currently in good standing as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand in the City of New York on January 6, 2025.

Clerk of the Court



#### Supreme Court of the State of New York Appellate Division, First Department

DIANNE T. RENWICK PRESIDING JUSTICE

MARGARET SOWAH
DEPUTY CLERK OF THE COURT

SUSANNA MOLINA ROJAS CLERK OF THE COURT

DOUGLAS C. SULLIVAN
DEPUTY CLERK OF THE COURT

To Whom It May Concern

An attorney admitted to practice by this Court may request a certificate of good standing, which is the only official document this Court issues certifying to an attorney's admission and good standing.

An attorney's registration status, date of admission and disciplinary history may be viewed through the attorney search feature on <u>the website of the Unified Court System.</u>

New York State does not register attorneys as active or inactive.

An attorney may request a disciplinary history letter from the <u>Attorney</u> Grievance Committee of the First Judicial Department.

Bar examination history is available from the <u>New York State Board of Law Examiners</u>.

Instructions, forms and links are available on this Court's website.

Susanna Rojas

Clerk of the Court

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## Certificate of Good Standing



### United States of America

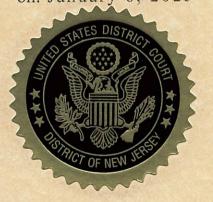
## District of New Jersey

I, MELISSA E. RHOADS, Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, do hereby certify that:

#### Matthew L. Lippert

was duly admitted to practice in said Court as of December 31, 2008 and is in good standing as a member of the Bar of said Court.

Dated at Trenton, New Jersey on: January 6, 2025



MELISSA E. RHOADS, CLERK

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Brian Y. Lawrence, Deputy Clerk

#### United States District Court Southern District of New York

#### **Certificate of Good Standing**

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|       | MATTHEW         | LAWRENCE            | LIPPERT        | , Ba      | ar #    | ML7431       |
| was   | duly admitted   | to practice         | in the Court o | n         |         |              |
|       |                 |                     | March 30,      | 2010      |         |              |
| and   | is in good sta  | nding as a m        | ember of the B | ar of thi | s Court |              |
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| Dated | 500 Pe          | arl St.<br>New York | Or.            |           | January | 7, 2025      |
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